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SUBJECT: SPECIAL NUCLEAR MATERIAL FOR GREECE'S RESEARCH
REACTOR

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1. USG PREPARED TO SUPPLY THROUGH THE IAEA APPROXIMATELY
7000 GRAMS OF HIGHLY ENRICHED URANIUM FOR DEMOCRITUS
RESEARCH REACTOR IN ACCORDANCE WITH SUPPLY AGREEMENTS
TO BE NEGOTIATED BETWEEN IAEA AND THE GOG AND SUBJECT TO:
(1) EXCHANGE OF NOTES BETWEEN USG AND GOG; (2) U.S. EXPORT
AUTHORIZATION; AND (3) U.S. APPROVAL OF SPECIFIC MEASURES
FOR ADEQUATE PHYSICAL SECURITY, BOTH DURING TRANSPORT
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FOLLOWING EXPORT FROM U.S. AND DURING USE OUTSIDE U.S.

2. EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO INITIATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
EXCHANGE OF NOTES WITH GOG BASED ON FOLLOWING TEXTS:

--A. PROPOSED NOTE FROM GOG:

COMPLIMENTARY OPENING FOLLOWED BY: QUOTE HAS THE HONOR TO REFER TO THE REQUEST BY THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE FOR THE ASSISTANCE OF THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY IN OBTAINING FROM THE UNITED STATES APPROXIMATELY 7000 GRAMS

OF URANIUM ENRICHED TO APPROXIMATELY 90 PERCENT IN THE ISOTOPE URANIUM-235. THE TRANSFER WILL TAKE PLACE UNDER THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN THE AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION IN THE CIVIL USES OF ATOMIC ENERGY BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND THE IAEA, WHICH ENTERED INTO FORCE ON AUGUST 7, 1959, AS AMENDED ON FEBRUARY 12, 1974. THE MATERIAL WILL BE USED AT THE DEMOCRITUS NUCLEAR RESEARCH CENTER IN THE RESEARCH REACTOR GRR-1, WHICH WAS TRANSFERRED TO GREECE UNDER THE AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION CONCERNING CIVIL USES OF ATOMIC ENERGY BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND GREECE, OF AUGUST 4, 1955, AS AMENDED ON JUNE 11, 1960, APRIL 3, 1962, JUNE 22, 1962, JUNE 8 1964 AND SEPTEMBER 27, 1968.

IN ITS NOTE NUMBER 6327/46/AS/1097, DATED JULY 16, 1974, THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE STATED ITS APPRECIATION OF THE CONTINUING EFFECT OF THE SAFEGUARDS AND GUARANTEE PROVISIONS OF THE 1955 AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND GREECE, AS AMENDED, WHICH EXPIRED BY ITS TERMS ON AUGUST 3, 1974. THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE NOW AGREES THAT THE 7000 GRAMS OF URANIUM ENRICHED TO APPROXIMATELY 90 PERCENT IN THE ISOTOPE U-235 REQUESTED FROM THE UNITED STATES FOR THE GRR-1 REACTOR WILL BE HELD SUBJECT TO THE TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ARTICLES II, VI, AND VII OF THE EXPIRED 1955 AGREEMENT FOR COOPERATION BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES AND GREECE, AS AMENDED.

THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE WISHES TO CONFIRM TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES ITS UNDERSTANDING THAT PURSUANT TO THE UNDERTAKING IN THE PREVIOUS PARAGRAPH, NO MATERIAL USED OR PRODUCED IN THE GRR-1 REACTOR WILL BE USED FOR ATOMIC WEAPONS OR OTHER NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES, FOR RESEARCH OR DEVELOPMENT OF ATOMIC WEAPONS OR OTHER NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE DEVICES, OR FOR ANY OTHER MILITARY PURPOSE.

THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE ALSO WISHES TO ASSURE THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF ITS DESIRE AND INTENTION TO APPLY ADEQUATE LEVELS OF PHYSICAL SECURITY, AS WILL BE AGREED BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE AND THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES, TO THE NUCLEAR

MATERIAL USED IN THE GRR-1 REACTOR. END QUOTE.

--B. EMBASSY RESPONSE:

COMPLIMENTARY OPENING FOLLOWED BY: QUOTE HAS THE
HONOR TO ACKNOWLEDGE (REFERENCE TO GREEK NOTE) CONCERNING

THE REQUEST BY THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE FOR THE ASSISTANCE
OF THE INTERNATIONAL ATOMIC ENERGY AGENCY IN OBTAINING
FROM THE UNITED STATES APPROXIMATELY 7000 GRAMS OF
URANIUM ENRICHED TO APPROXIMATELY 90 PERCENT IN THE
ISOTOPE URANIUM-235. THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES
NOTES WITH APPRECIATION THE ADDITIONAL UNDERTAKINGS OF
THE GOVERNMENT OF GREECE WITH REGARD TO THIS URANIUM
AND WISHES TO STATE THAT IT IS IN AGREEMENT WITH THESE
PROVISIONS. END QUOTE.

3. ANY CHANGES PROPOSED BY GOG SHOULD BE SUBMITTED
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